

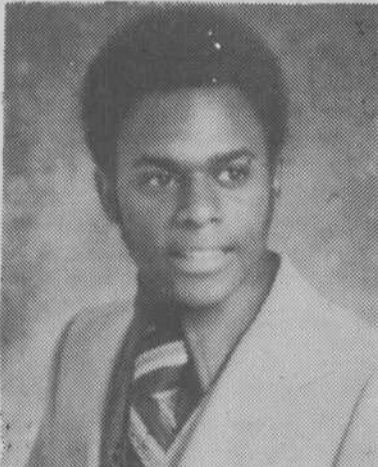
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KEN'S COMMENTS



By Ken Wilson

The mystery surrounding the release of long-time Los Angeles Dodger outfielder Dusty Baker will remain one of the great untold stories of the 1984 major league baseball season.

Rumors of alleged drug involvement to the front offices' campaign towards the youth movement resulted in Baker's release during the off season and his eventual signing with the San Francisco Giants.

Recently, in his first return to Los Angeles in a different uniform, Baker was honored for the eight years of service he had endured, as fans celebrated Dusty Baker night, showing some sort of atonement for the unfair treatment he received from Dodger management.

All of the speculations and allegations aimed at Baker have been found to be untrue through an investigation by the baseball commissioner's office in a mock attempt to clear his name. However, the

damage has been done, with a faithful player having been given his walking papers by an organization which he has labored for, only to have his name soiled.

Certainly when Dusty Baker concludes his career in professional baseball, he will take with him many good memories. However, there will always remain one deep and lasting scar.

After careful consideration and screening during this past week in Bloomington, Ind., where the 1984 Olympic basketball trials are being held, United States coach Bobby Knight and his staff completed the initial phase of the selection process.

Knight reduced a field of 74 candidates to 20, and will trim the roster to 12 by July 14th after the final phase of the trials.

Remaining in the select 20 is a cast of college stand-outs that includes: All Americans Michael Jordan and Sam Perkins of North Carolina, Georgetown's Patrick Ewing, and Wyman Tisdale of Oklahoma.

While many of the favorites picked by observers survived and made the final 20, several were left out, thus opening spots for several longshots such as St. Joseph's Maurice Martin, Tim McCormick of Michigan, and Terry Porter of Wisconsin-Stevens.

Meanwhile, a select group of women were going through the paces as United States coach Pat Summit, who coached NCAA runnerup Tennessee, chose 17 women from which a group of 12 will later be selected as the final squad.

Among the finalists, USC's Cheryl Miller and Pam McGee head a strong group that includes: Louisiana Tech duo Kim Mulkey and Janice Lawrence, along with Kansas' Lynette Woodard, Anne Donvon of Old Dominion, Theresa Spauling of BYU, and Long Beach State's LaTonya Pollard.

Stars statistics

LAS VEGAS STARS BASEBALL STATISTICS

Through Friday

BATTING STATISTICS

	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	AVG.
Ron Roenicke	15	55	15	18	1	0	5	10	.327
John Kruk	12	28	6	9	1	2	1	4	.321
Ozzie Guillen	11	38	10	12	1	0	0	4	.316
Fritz Connally	16	51	10	16	1	0	3	17	.314
Bruce Bochy	14	48	9	15	2	0	3	9	.313
Mike Martin	4	13	2	4	0	0	0	3	.308
George Hinshaw	14	37	7	11	2	0	1	3	.297
Rick Lancellotti	12	52	8	15	1	0	3	17	.288
Jerry Davis	16	51	10	14	2	2	0	9	.275
Jerry DeSimone	10	33	7	8	0	0	0	2	.224
Joe Lansford	14	49	8	11	2	1	2	9	.224
Ed Rodriguez	16	60	8	12	2	2	2	6	.200
Others	-	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	.200
STARS	16	525	103	147	15	7	20	95	.280
OPPONENTS	16	538	92	147	27	8	19	84	.273

PITCHING STATISTICS

	G	CG	Sav	IP	H	BB	SO	R	ER	ERA	W-L
Marty Decker	7	0	2	9	9	5	9	5	2	2.00	1-0
Bob Patterson	3	0	0	19	18	1	11	9	7	3.20	0-1
Ed Wojna	3	0	0	17	16	7	11	8	7	3.71	3-0
D. Burroughs	7	0	2	11	12	7	7	7	7	5.73	1-1
Floyd Chiffer	8	0	1	11	7	9	13	6	6	4.76	2-0
Greg Booker	4	1	0	25	30	10	16	17	14	5.04	2-2
W. Vanderbush	2	0	0	11	12	8	9	7	7	5.73	1-0
Ray Hayward	3	0	0	12	11	13	11	9	9	6.57	0-0
Larry Brown	5	0	0	10	16	5	7	10	10	8.44	0-0
Felix Oroz	6	0	0	11	16	7	9	13	12	9.87	0-2
Others	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0-0
STARS	16	1	5	139	147	72	103	92	81	5.24	10-6
OPPONENTS	16	0	3	134	147	94	80	103	85	5.70	6-10

REGISTER BOXING TO VOTE

A Galveston, Tex., businessman has started a drive to establish some sort of memorial for Jack Johnson, the former world heavyweight boxing champion who was a native of the city. Johnny Valentine started the movement and is receiving support from city officials. Johnson was the first black to hold the world heavyweight championship. Born in Galveston on Mar. 31, 1878, he started his career as a teenager, fighting in then-illegal club fights. He became world champion in 1908.

BOXING

MAJOR FIGHT SCHEDULE (c-denotes defending champion)

April 26 at Atlantic City, N.J. — Tyrone Crawley vs. Efran Nieves, 10, lightweights; Tony Suero vs. Nino Gonzelez, 10, middleweights.
 May 15 at Worcester, Mass. — Sugar Ray Leonard vs. Kevin Howard, 10, welterweights.
 May 19 at undetermined site — c-Loris Stecca vs. Victor Callejas, 15, WBA junior featherweight title.
 May 21 at Los Angeles — c-Jaime Garza vs. Felipe Orozco, 12, WBC super bantamweight title.
 May 23 at Atlantic City, N.J. — Charlie Singleton vs. Junior Edmond, 10, light heavyweights.
 May 30 at Atlantic City, N.J. — Bobby Czyz vs. Teddy Mann, 10, super middleweights.
 June 8 at Las Vegas, Nev. — c-Larry Holmes vs. c-Gerrie Coetzee, 15, IBF and WBA heavyweight titles.
 June 15 at Nassau, Bahamas — c-Thomas Hearns vs. Roberto Duran, 12, WBC super welterweight title.

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